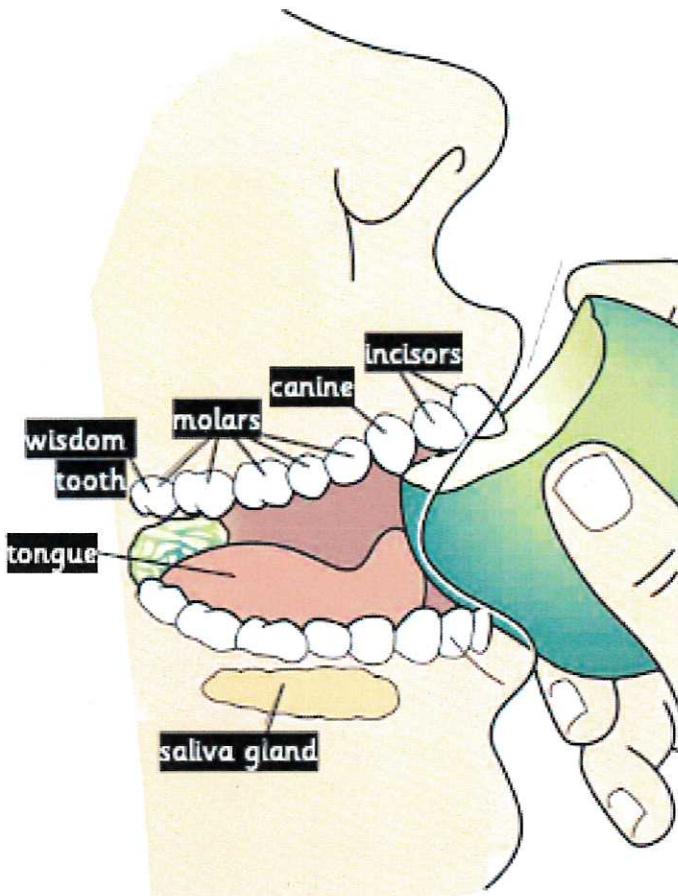




Parts of the **mouth and teeth**



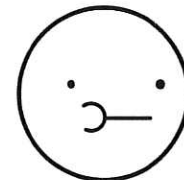
**incisor** – front chisel-like cutters



**canines** – grippers and tearers



**molars** – back crushers and grinders



**chew food**

**tongue**  
moves food around the mouth so that teeth cut, rip and grind food and **saliva** can start breaking it down  
helps us taste different foods

**saliva** is released to help break up the food. It is a fluid produced in the mouth that contains **enzymes**

**enzymes** in the saliva start to break down food types, like **carbohydrates** and **fats**

**bolus** food is turned into small balls of nutrients that are swallowed

**saliva** also enables us to taste food, keep the mouth clean and helps food slip down

**Umami** taste of cheese, meat, fish and vegetables

